

On the final day of the 13th Annual Mako Mania Shark Tournament at Bahia Marina, Don Clawson of Leesburg, VA captured this 224.4 lb. mako to win 1st place in the Mako Division. Don was fishing on the "Nontypical" with Jim Hughes of Ocean City, MD, Rick Carney of Willards, MD, Bobby Layton of Ocean City, MD and Capt. Terry Layton. The 76-inch mako ate a bluefish fillet in 25 fathoms inside the Washington Canyon where the anglers also released another mako and 12 blue sharks during the trip. On the second day of the tournament, Jim Hughes landed a 199 pounder to take 3rd place in the Mako Division. In total, the "Nontypical" team won \$44,719 for their 1st and 3rd place finishes.

Double Lines

by Dale Timmons



You might have read it in the news or seen on television last week when six east coast states, including Maryland and Delaware, issued health advisories about eating bluefish and striped bass. The new advisories recommended that "those in high risk groupspregnant women, women who may become pregnant and children under the age of six..." not eat striped bass caught from Atlantic coastal waters or Delaware Bay. For people not in high groups, the risk "consumption of striped bass should be limited to no more than two meals per year for stripers caught in the Delaware Bay and, also for the first time, Atlantic coastal waters. " For bluefish, "people in high risk groups are advised to not eat bluefish larger than 14 inches... For the rest of us, the advice is to

eat no more than one meal per year of large bluefish caught from Delaware Bay and Atlantic coastal waters.

The reason for these advisories is largely presence of PCBs and other contaminants. PCBs were used for years in things like light switches and the oil in large transformers mounted on power poles. They are a known carcinogen, and the unfortunate thing is they don't break down in the environment. Thus they build up in the food chain. In other words, the largest predators contain the PCBs of all the smaller fish in each step up the line, so that when humans consume large fish such as stripers or blues we in turn get all the accumulated PCBs in our system.

So what do you do? Some scientists are adamant about

these restrictions, while others say you would have to eat these fish every day for a long period of time before it might have any effect or possibly cause cancer. Like a lot of other things, I guess it is another risk factor of living in the modern age, and as with most things, moderation is the key. It was somewhat amusing that the warnings were only for recreationally caught fish, as if commercially caught stripers and blues were somehow devoid of PCBs. Guess the politicians don't want to hurt business "in these difficult times" (a phrase that is getting a little old). Of course, most of us probably don't catch enough to shorten our life span...if we do, I guess giving away fish to our "friends and neighbors" takes on a whole new meaning...

If you like to make up your own rigs, the dropper loop is probably in your knot tying arsenal. I have tied thousands of them, I guess, but I ran across a loop knot a couple of months back that all but made me abandon the usual blood knot type of dropper loop. I was

reading something on the internet when I saw a link for the "Kiwi platted loop" and clicked on it. Yep, the Kiwi in this case comes all the way from New Zealand. The knot is simply credited to "Paul of Paul's Fishing Kites," who discovered that the commercial fishing lines he was tying conventional blood loops into weakened the mainline by over 40 percent. Another gentleman named Sam Mossman, who is the Special Projects Editor for the New Zealand Fishing News, tested the Kiwi Dropper against a standard dropper and found that while a standard dropper only gave 58.6 percent of the unknotted strength of the line, the Kiwi was a very impressive 94.8 percent, which is quite a difference. Dropper loops are standard on most top and bottom rigs, of course, and I use them on some of my other rigs such as those I make for puppy drum, so a difference of almost 40 percent in strength could become quite a factor if you are fishing for small fish and happen to hook a big drum or striper, or perhaps even a cobia

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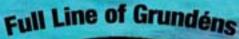


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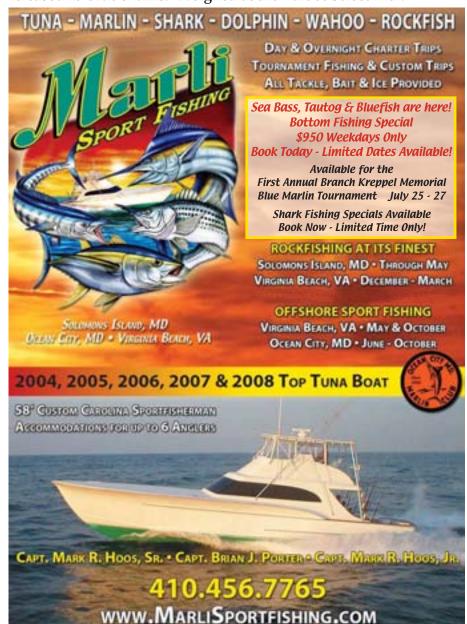
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Jay Williams of Randolph, NJ caught this 123 lb. make shark during a trip aboard the "Restless Lady" with Joe Koeppen of Brick Township, NJ, Mike Abell of Louisville, KY, Todd Lindner of Lexington, KY, Erich Smith of Dagsboro, DE, Capt. Todd Kurtz, Capt. Sean Welsh and Mate Rich Hastings. The make took a whole mackerel in 27 fathoms at the Sausages where the anglers also released 13 blue sharks. Weighed at the Talbot Street Pier.





Redeeming himself after getting outfished by Daina Kazmaier last week, Brian Behe of West Ocean City muscled in this 23-inch flounder while fishing near the Assateague Bridge. The flattie weighed in at 4 lbs. 8 oz. and was caught on a minnow and squid combination during the outgoing tide.





Darryll Kulski of West Ocean City, MD was tossing a white bucktail tipped with a white curly tail at the Inlet rocks and caught this 35-inch striper at the top of the high tide. Pictured at Ake Marine in West Ocean City.



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or some other strong fighting fish. The Kiwi Dropper is a plait, which is basically a weave, so it won't pinch and cut itself off like many other knots, including the standard dropper. It is relatively easy to tie once you learn it. It kind of "pops" into place, and I haven't been able to make it slip. I have tied the knot everything from 20 to pound test, and the heavier lines are no problem. If you want to look at it and give it a try, you can go to www.fishingkites.co.nz and scroll down to the section on fishing knots ("A Better Blood Loop"). There are several other knots as well, all with excellent illustrations, plus a lot of other useful information. (Editors note: look for the Kiwi Dropper in an upcoming instructional video www.coastalfisherman.net)...

While I'm on the subject of knots, last year I mentioned a possible easier-to-tie replacement for the Bimini Twist when you want to use a double line. It is called the Triple

Surgeon's Loop. I've had some time to test this knot, and I have been very pleased. I use it to tie a short double line, then follow it with a Bristol or No-Name Knot when I am putting shock leaders on my heavy surf rods or even lighter shockers on my spinning rods for casting lures. A young fellow named Moe Cropper who was pictured in last week's issue with his first big surf caught red drum (it was 48 inches, by the way) was rigged exactly that way with a 17 lb. test main line and a 40-lb. shocker. I know because I tied it for him. He put the heat on that fish and caught it in just a few minutes. Anyway, the knot is easy to tie, relatively compact and very strong. You simply double back the length of line you want, then tie a loose overhand knot. Go through with the looped portion five more times (I don't know why it is named "Triple") before pulling on the loop, the standing line and the tag end. I make a last tightening pull on just the standing line and the loop...

The local shark tournaments

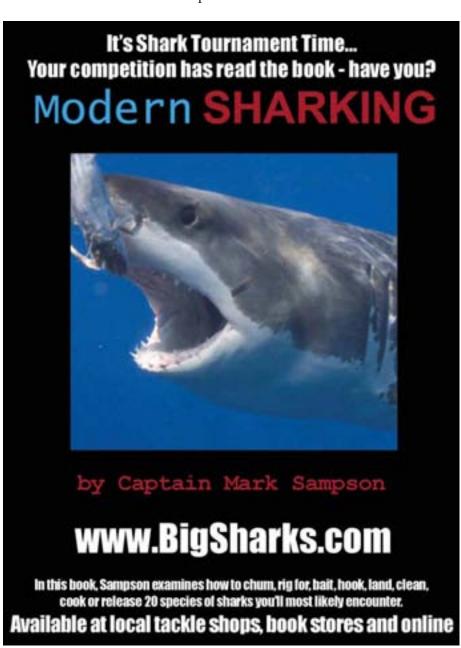
have begun, and nowadays that means the crazies are getting publicitiy from the television folks by protesting the demise of a few sharks. My friend Cecil Tull at ABC Printers even got his usual threatening letter, and all he does is print one of the tournament brochures. Like I've said before, these folks are mostly all about money and duping well meaning folks into big donations, so I don't hold much stock in what they have to say. I also want to congratulate the winners of last weekend's Mako Mania Tournament and wish good luck to everyone fishing in the upcoming Ocean City Shark Tournament. Capt. Mark Sampson, one of the principals in the latter, has had to deal with some health issues that required hospitalization recently. He is back on his feet now, however, and we want to wish him well...

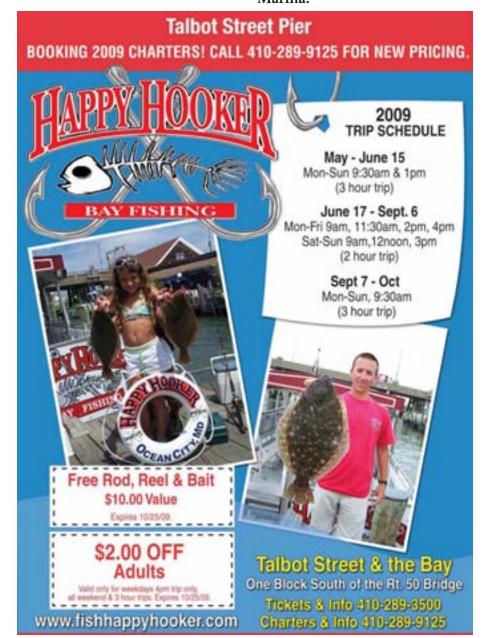


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always a threat in local tournaments, arrived with a 10.4 pounder caught at the Fingers.

When it came to bait, bluefish and mackerel either filleted or whole were the overwhelming choice for anglers.

Overall, it was an exciting tournament and a great way to jumpstart our season. We now get a weekend off until the Ocean City Shark Tournament on June 18th, 19th and 20th.

Outside the tournament, anglers throughout the week were able to land all the blue sharks they wanted around the Jackspot, the Hambone and the Fingers. A few makes were also caught.

STRIPED BASS

We continue to see a good striper bite for anglers drifting the point of the South Jetty. Those tossing bucktails during early morning hours or at night are reporting catches in the double digits. Tipping the bucktail with a curly tail or a Gulp! Alive Swimming Mullet seems to improve your chances. The vast majority of fish are in excellent shape, but we did receive a couple reports of fish looking a litter battered, so be careful handling your catch. It's probably a good idea to keep a pack of disposable, disinfecting wipes in your boats if you have to handle a fish with sores.

FLOUNDER

It won't go down as one of the greatest flounder fishing weeks we have had, but some fish were caught... not many, but some. Water clarity was a problem, due to all of the rain and poor weather we experienced. As always, find the clean water and you find flounder.

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Ocean City Fishing Report

by Larry Jock

The big news this week was definitely shark fishing, highlighted by the 13th Annual Mako Mania Shark Tournament held at Bahia Marina over the weekend. Here's the catch report for the entire tournament:

75 makos caught 337 blue sharks caught 3 thresher sharks caught 2 dusky sharks caught 1 tiger shark caught

If you look at these numbers and then factor in that 46 boats participated in the tournament, it is pretty impressive. Weather did play a factor in the tournament, with rough conditions keeping all but 1 boat at the dock on Day #1. Saturday nasty, morning was flattened out in the afternoon and Sunday's seas were beautiful, but fog settled in for most of the day.

The "Nontypical" took top money honors, winning \$44,719 for their 1st place (244.4 lbs.) and 3rd place (199 lbs.) makos. Capt. Terry Layton carried his anglers to the same location on both days, to 25 fathoms inside the Washington Canyon where he used Capt. Mac's Monster Mash Chum to lure the winning sharks to the boat.

Other spots where makes



On Saturday, anglers fishing on the "Morning Star" returned to the dock with some nice sea bass, highlighted by Vince Barba's 5 lb. 12 oz. fish (center). Also bringing back some nice sea bass were Don Brenneman of York, PA and Gahraman Mustafayve of Potomac, MD each landing identical 4 lb. 4 oz. sea bass. All of the fish were caught on clams at an artificial reef. At the helm was Capt. Monty Hawkins, and working the deck were mates Tucker Colquhoun and Mike Kinder. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

were caught included just east or south of the Jackspot, the Sausages and the Fingers, with most being hooked around the Jackspot.

In the Thresher Division, Ethan Spencer really got the crowd excited when he, along with the crew on "Wayne's World", brought a 443.3 pounder to the scale. Like a lot of the makos, this thresher was caught just outside the Jackspot in 62.5-degree water.

Bluefish have been scarce this year, and it was not better in the tournament with only 9 weighed in. The "Jezebel",

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"Hurricane" Murray Adams from Ellicott City, MD blew into town and this time brought some nice weather with him. Murray went fishing on the "Fish Finder" with Steve Gladmon of Westminster, MD, Jim Persing, Sr, Jim Persing, Jr. and Dave Jordan, all from Baltimore, MD, Capt. Mark Sampson and Mate Tyler Hill (not pictured). Steve ended up catching this 158 lb. make shark after hooking it on a bluefish fillet in 20 fathoms at the Fingers. The group also released 9 blue sharks. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



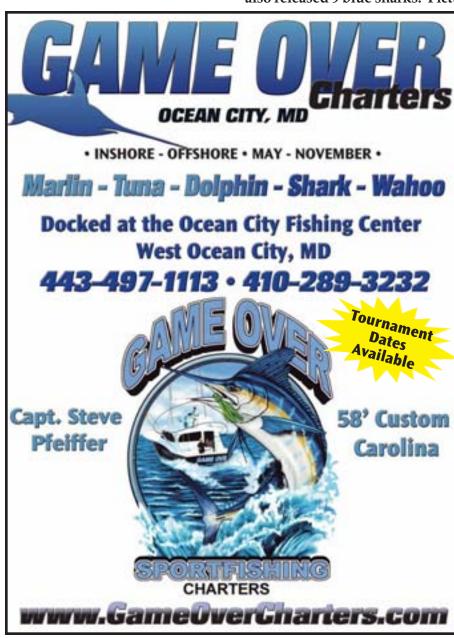
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www.coastalfisherman.net Ocean City report continued:

Hunter Dortenzo did catch 3 keepers on Saturday while drifting minnows and Gulp! baits in the bay behind Assateague. Cheryl Frank also landed a couple of keepers in the bay behind the Ocean City Airport, where most of the keepers we have seen over the last couple of weeks have been caught. Her largest was a 22.5-incher.

BLACK DRUM

We didn't hear much about black drum recently, either from the surf or in the bay, until Bruce McGuigan and Brenton McCleary caught three small ones near the Assateague Bridge on Wednesday.

BLUEFIN TUNA

Although the bluefin regs were adjusted on June 1st to allow 2 bluefins to be kept, we still haven't seen many hit the dock. J.R. Pequignot on the "Marli" did capture a nice 81 pounder on Thursday at the Parking Lot where Capt. Mark Hoos, Jr. reported water temperatures at 67-degrees.

Capt. Rich Daiker on the "Teaser" did tell me that one of his anglers fought a bluefin for over 3 hours during the Mako Mania Tournament before coming loose. Rich estimated the bluefin at between 800 and 900 lbs. and was hooked in 20 fathoms at the Fingers.

SEA BASS

We continue to see nice catches of sea bass coming from ocean wrecks and reefs. Several fish over 4 lbs. were caught with the heaviest tipping the scales at 5 lbs. 12 oz.

Although many anglers like to use squid when fishing for sea bass, it seems like those using clams are seeing better results.

No doubt we will see a lot more sharks being caught over the next couple of weeks and hopefully the action in the bay will heat up as well.

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Driftin' Easy

by Sue Foster



"I'm not from around here. Where can I go fishing from the shore in Ocean City?"

Almost every angler who is not familiar with Ocean City asks this question. There are only so many places to fish from shore, but there are several spots to choose from with some being better than others. Some are more adult oriented, and others are a good place to take children.

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beach anywhere in Ocean City, Fenwick Island, or other towns along the Delaware Coast before 10 AM in the morning and after 5:30 PM. Basically, when the lifeguards come on duty, it's time for you to pack up your gear. When the lifeguards go off-duty, you can fish again. Beach cleaners run the beach after midnight, so anglers are not supposed to be fishing between midnight and 4 or 5 A.M. This is just a safety precaution.

If you decide to fish the beach in Ocean City, the best access for parking is any side street. The areas between 94th and 118th streets are all condominiums and there are no side streets there. The rest of the town has side streets. Just avoid "Condo Row" if you are driving and looking for a place to park.

If you decide to fish in Delaware you will need a Delaware Fishing License. In Maryland, as of 2009, you do not need a fishing license. Expect some sort of license in Maryland in 2010, however.

If you want to fish the surf all day, you need to go into one of the Delaware Seashore State Park areas. It costs \$8 to park there if you are out of state. You can also head to the Assateague Island State or National Park and go to the fishing area. There's a fee per car to get in the park.

For surf fishing, you need at least a 7-foot rod that will handle a 2 to 4 oz. pyramid sinker. An 8 to 10 foot outfit is preferred if you have one. Cut bait or worms on a top-and-bottom type surf rig will do the trick.

When fishing the Ocean Pier that runs parallel to the Ocean City Inlet, anglers can use the same type gear and rig set-ups as they would from the surf. Drive to the southernmost end of Ocean City, hang a left and park in the Beach Parking Lot close to the pier. You enter the pier from the Parking Lot. bloodworms for bait to catch spot, whiting and sand perch; squid or mullet strips for flounder, bluefish, shark and trout. If you are into catching the numerous sand sharks and skates, good old box squid is the best bait to use. If you are into the snapper blues, a whole finger mullet on a whole finger mullet rig is good.

While you are in that area, check out the Ocean City Inlet. Anglers fish directly from the rocks, or walk all the way to the right and walk on the cement walkway behind the Oceanic Motel and close to the Oceanic Pier. I do not recommend this area for children or anglers with little knowledge of fishing. You will be walking on rocks or a skinny walkway. There are lots of snags that can be frustrating for novices and kids. If you are an experienced fisherman and are used to rock jetties, use fishing lures such as bucktails, Got-cha Plugs, spoons, and Swimming Shad lures for bluefish, trout, and stripers. Use sand fleas, green crabs or clam for bait for tautog. Use squid, mullet, or shiners as bait for flounder and bluefish. Use live eels, live spot, or lures for stripers.

The Oceanic Pier is a better place to take the kids or go to if you are a novice, but want to do some serious fishing. The Oceanic Pier is close to the inlet and juts out between the Inlet and the Bay. If you drive to the southernmost end of Philadelphia Ave. it is right there next to the Oceanic Motel at the bend in the road. There's a fee to go out on the Pier, but the fee will be a whole lot less than the price of the tackle you will lose on the Inlet rocks! Use shiners, squid or live minnows when fishing bait for flounder, bluefish, and trout, bloodworms or night crawlers for spot and other small

Fishing lures are the tackle to use at night. Cast Got-cha Plugs, Spec Rigs, and 4-inch curltail grubs tied in tandem, Swimming Shad lures or Rattletraps. If you can't find a place to park, drive into the Oceanic Motel Parking Lot facing the pier, pay for your ticket, and the clerk will give you a parking pass for your car. Don't forget to display it in your car!

The Route 50 Bridge, which is located 1 block south of 1st Street, is a good place for the serious angler to go fishing. It is noisy with road traffic so some anglers actually take ear plugs. But it has excellent summer flounder fishing for anglers using frozen shiners or live minnows in combination with a strip of squid

for bait. Worms are used for bait for spot and other small fish. Blues hit fishing lures such as Spec Rigs and Got-cha plugs or they take bait such as squid and shiners. Tautog bite sand fleas or green crabs close to the pilings near the draw. Use medium to medium-heavy fishing tackle on the Bridge since it's at least 30 feet off the water. Night fishing is generally good on blues, stripers, and trout working fishing lures beneath the lights. The best fishing lures on the Bridge are Gotcha plugs, bucktails tipped with 6-inch plastic curltails, Swimming Shad lures, 5-inch soft bodies tied in tandem. Anglers also use live eels when fishing for stripers. Parking is available on the side streets close to the Bridge, or on the west side of the Bridge.

The 2nd thru 4th Street Bulkhead is a free public area located on the bayside. Use shiners and squid for bait for flounder, bluefish and sea bass, bloodworms for bait for Norfolk spot, sand fleas or green crab for tautog, triggerfish, sheepshead and stripers. It is very snaggy so when the tide is running hard, fish straight down. When the tide subsides, you may cast out into the channel. There are parking meters right next to the fishing area, and it's also a good area for the handicapped. Take plenty of tackle because you WILL lose tackle. You can almost be guaranteed to catch and release little sea bass all day long.

The 9th Street Pier is a free public pier located on 9th Street and the bay. Use shiners or live minnows as fishing bait for flounder; squid strips for little sea bass, sea robins and bluefish, and worms for Norfolk spot and blowfish. It's a nice little pier and lots of fish are caught from it. It's just a shame it's not larger. There are some snags on this pier as well. Always take extra tackle.

OK, now for some "not so serious" fishing locations. These are safe places that are not too deep to take the kids to do some light fishing for small fish and for catching blue crabs.

Behind Convention Hall at 40th Street is a free public bulkhead and pier that has free parking. It's a good crabbing spot when using crab lines or collapsible crab traps. Fishing is only fair on the high tide. Use live minnows for flounder bait, bloodworms for spot and croaker

bait. Light fishing tackle is all you need here. If you walk into the water at low tide, and walk and clam towards the right, you can find some clams as well.

The Isle of Wight Bulkhead is a really pretty place to go. It is free and parking is free.

To get there, cross the Route 90 Bridge at 62nd Street heading west. At the traffic light in the center of the bridge, turn left. This public area usually has good crabbing with collapsible crab traps and is good for light fishing. Use worms for bait for spot and sand perch. Use live minnows or squid for bait on the high tide when fishing for flounder or bluefish. Light fishing tackle is all you need here.

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There's more places to go in Delaware and outside Ocean City as well. We'll save those for another day. There are plenty of fishing opportunities in Ocean City, so enjoy!

Good fishing....

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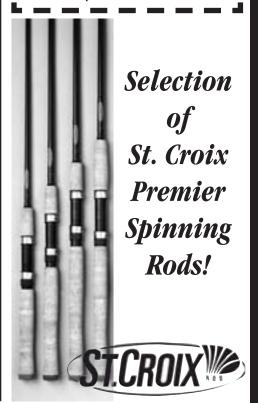
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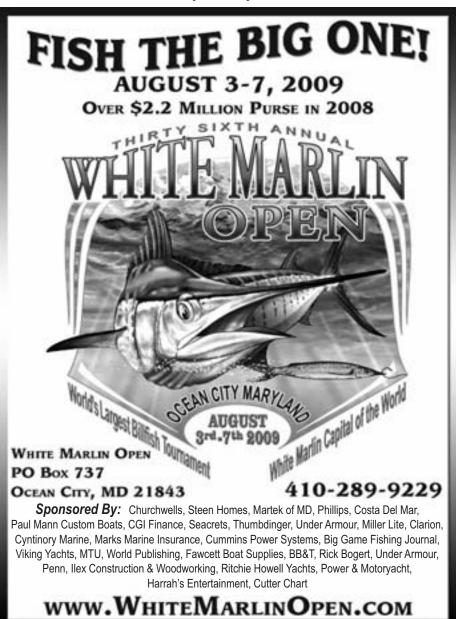
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Mike Majernik of Ocean City used a black bucktail to hook this 38-inch striper in the Indian River Inlet. The big linesider weighed 16 lbs. 8 oz. on the scale at Oyster Bay Tackle on 116th Street.





It was "Sea Bass City" for anglers on the "Morning Star" coming back from a day fishing on ocean reefs and wrecks with Capt. Monty Hawkins and Mates Rich Silvani and Mike Kinder. Pictured are George Henning of Ocean City, MD, Joe Mister of Bethlehem, MD, Mark Belluomo of Grasonville, MD, Jim Goddard of Stevensville, MD and Richard Adams of Lewes, DE. All of the fish were caught on clams, with Richard's 3 lb. 8 oz. sea bass taking heaviest fish honors for the day. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



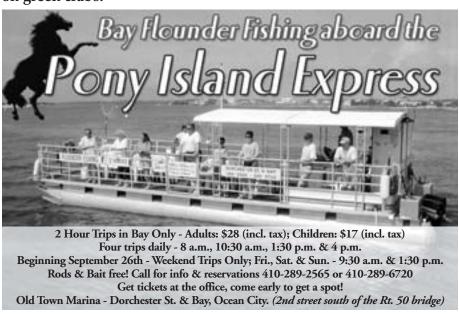
This 5 lb. 10 oz. flattie fell for a minnow that Cody Dmiterchik was offering while drifting near Massey's Ditch. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina in Lewes, DE.



Jack and Mike Barrow of Grasonville, MD, Drew Jones of Smyrna Park, MD and Sean Fisher of Cordova, MD teamed up to land this 201 lb. thresher shark, east of "B" Buoy. The anglers enticed the thresher with a live bluefish after seeing the shark chase a school of sea bass to the surface. Weighed at Hook'em & Cook'em.



Mike Maney of Lewes, DE, Alex Zhutov from Russia, and Dr. Jack McLean of Ocean City, MD returned to the dock at the Ocean City Fishing Center with a nice catch after a trip on the "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins and Mates Mike Kinder and Tucker Colquhoun. Mike's sea bass weighed 2 lbs. 8 oz., while Alex's flounder tipped the scales at 5 lbs. 4 oz. and Jack's tog weighed 5 lbs. 12 oz. All of the fish were caught on an artificial reef on green crabs.





Maranda Albin used a squid and minnow combination to hook this 23-inch, 4 lbs. 9 oz. flounder in the Rehoboth Bay.





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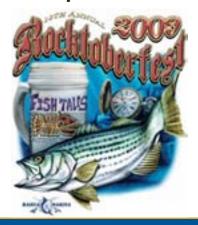
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The Galley

by Mama Jock



Flounder and Eggplant

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Place eggplant in greased baking pan.

Saute a sliced onion and a diced green pepper in butter with a dash of garlic powder until soft. Set aside.

Place fillets the on eggplant slices.

Put thin lemon rings on fillets and sprinkle lightly with seasoned bread crumbs.

Place sauteed onion and peppers over breadcrumbs.

Dot with butter and bake at 375 degrees until fish is opaque.

Chop a large fresh tomato and fresh parsley and top each serving.

Serves 4.

Crab Balls and Red Pepper Dip

1 lb. jumbo lump crabmeat 1 lb. backfin crabmeat

1 small red pepper, chopped fine 1 small red onion,

chopped fine

1 scallion, sliced fine

6 TBPS. mayonnaise

4 TBPS. Cajun Seasoning Juice of 2 lemons

1/2 cup unseasoned breadcrumbs

4 cups panko breadcrumbs Canola oil

Preheat oven 350 to degrees.

In mixing bowl, combine mayonnaise, lemon juice, and Cajun Seasoning.

Add crabmeat, peppers, onions, scallions, unseasoned breadcrumbs and mix well.

Form into 2 oz. balls.

Coat the balls with the panko breadcrumbs evenly and refrigerate for 15 minutes.

In a large saute pan heat oil on medium-high.

Fry the crab balls until light brown then finish in preheated oven for 10 minutes or until golden brown.

Can also be baked in a 375 degree oven until golden brown for about 15 minutes.

In sauce pot combine and

cook down until soft, medium heat, 4 chopped red peppers, 1 small onion chopped, 3 TBPS. olive oil, and 2 cloves of garlic.

Add 1 cup of white wine and 1 TBSP. of sugar and bring to a boil.

Transfer to a blender and mix until smooth.

Pour back into sauce pot, add 1/2 cup heavy cream, 2 oz. of butter and simmer until a saucy texture.

Makes 14 crab balls.

Shark on the Barbie

1/2 cup soy sauce 1/2 cup orange juice 1/4 cup catsup 1/4 cup parsley, chopped 2 TBSP. lemon juice 1/3 TBSP. pepper 2 cloves garlic, minced 6 shark steaks

Combine all of the ingredients except the shark steaks, mixing well.

Add the shark and marinate for 2 hours.

Remove steaks from the marinade, reserving marinade.

Grill fish 6 minutes on each side or until fish flakes with fork, basting frequently with marinade.

Shark Marsala

4 shark steaks, 3/4 to 1 inch thick

3/4 tsp. salt

1/2 tsp. pepper

3 TBSP. flour

1/4 cup butter

1/4 cup dry Marsala wine

1/2 cup water

1 TBSP. parsley minced

Sprinkle shark with salt, pepper and flour.

In a large skillet, saute fish 2 minutes on each side until crusty and lightly browned.

Place shark on a plate and keep warm.

Reduce heat and add Marsala wine and water.

Return shark to skillet and cover.

15 Simmer minutes; sprinkle with parsley.

www.coastalfisherman.net Roasted Sea Bass with Orzo Salad and

Mango Puree

Orzo Salad:

1 lb. orzo pasta

3 TBPS. cumin

1/2 cup of zucchini, small diced

l link of Andouille or Chorizo sausage, smoked and cut into small diced pieces

1/2 carrot, diced small

1 red pepper, diced small

1 green bell pepper, diced small

1/2 cup cilantro, chopped fine

3 TBPS. olive oil

Salt and pepper to taste

Boil orzo until soft.

Drain and shock with cold water; drain again.

Place pasta in a bowl, add the oil and mix thoroughly.

Add the remaining ingredients.

Serve warm or chilled.

Sea Bass:

400 Preheat oven to degrees; pat fish dry.

Season fish with salt and pepper.

In a heavy bottom oven proof pan add enough oil to coat the bottom.

Heat to medium high and add the sea bass, skin side down first.

Once the fish begins to brown add 1 TBPS. of butter.

Place the pan in oven for 5 to 7 minutes, depending on thickness of fillets.

Serve with orzo salad and mango puree.

Mango Puree:

1 or 2 ripe mangos

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1/4 cup water

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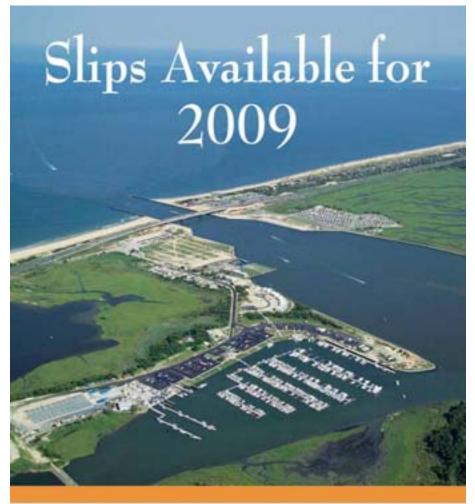
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Zachary Holland of Ellicott City, MD caught this 15 lb. striped bass while fishing with fresh bunker from the surf off Fenwick Island. Weighed at Hook'em & Cook'em Outfitters.



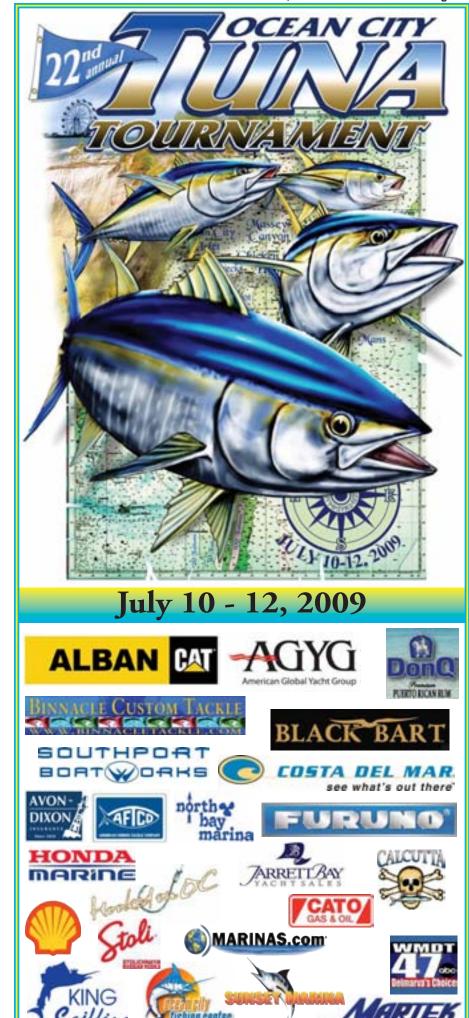
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BLUEFISH 8" minimum 10 per person/day



CROAKER 9" minimum 25 per person/day



TAUTOG Until 10/31 14" minimum 2/person/day



WEAKFISH 13" minimum 6 per person/day



BLUE CRAB 5" minimum 1 bushel/person no more than 2 bushels per boat



SUMMER FLOUNDER 18" minimum 3 per person/day



SPECKLED TROUT 14" minimum 10 per person/day



STRIPED BASS 28" minimum 2 per person/day



SHEEPSHEAD No limit

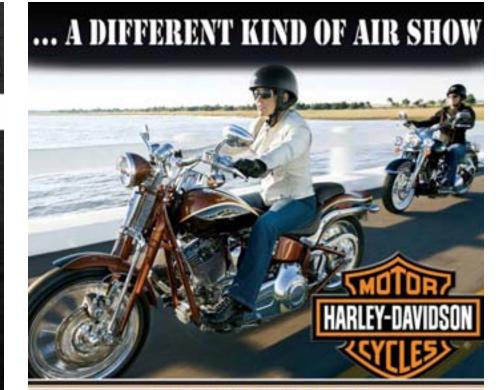


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Mike Orchulli of Nazareth, PA was drifting a minnow and squid combination north of the Rt. 50 Bridge when he captured this 23-inch, 4 lb. 6 oz. flounder. Pictured at Ake Marine.



Valeria, Lev and Daria Gelman, all from Nizhny Novgorod, Russia had a great time fishing on the "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins and Mates Rich Silvani and Tucker Colquhoun. The trio used clams to catch themselves some sea bass at an artificial reef. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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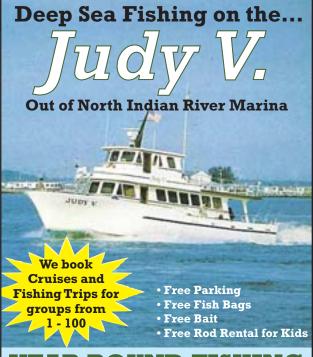
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Past the Breakers

by Sam Kilgore



Have you ever watched a nearby surf angler reel in a nice fish? It can really get your blood pumping with excitement! Initially, you try to guess the size of the fish by comparing it to the size of the angler. Next you wonder what kind of bait the angler was using and hope you both got it from the same tackle shop. Before you realize what you have done, you have reeled in your line, put fresh bait on





Jes Crowley of Clarksville, MD (center) caught this 27-inch black drum while fishing from the surf on Assateague Island. Jes was fishing with Marcus, Alex and Skylar Crowley and used a clam/peeler crab combination for bait. Marcus landed himself a nice 40-inch striper during the outing. Photo courtesy of AtlanticAnglers.com.

your hook (even though you had done this only minutes earlier) and heaved it back out as far as possible. You now have proof there are fish near you and they could be swimming in your direction!

After an hour or so, you watch the same angler catch his fifth fish, and you don't even feel like getting out of your beach chair. Finally, you

admit to yourself that nobody can be that lucky.

So, naturally you decide to take a stroll down the beach to congratulate the angler on his excellent abilities and maybe even sneak in a question or two about his bait. To your surprise, you notice he is using the same tackle, casting approximately the same distance and even bought his



bait from the same tackle shop! Before walking back to your spot, you quickly scan around his fishing area for signs of anything he might be using that would give him such an advantage. However, his advantage was there before he even set foot on the sand.

As a rule, experienced surf anglers look for some kind of underwater structure. It can provide shelter for smaller baitfish and also great hiding places for predatory fish. Unlike offshore fishing, inshore structure does not consist of coral reefs or sunken wrecks. The structure found near the shoreline is made of naturally created variations of sand on the ocean floor. They can consist of deep holes, cuts in a sand bar, troughs created by strong currents or other areas carved by crashing waves.

Experienced anglers constantly look for signs of submerged formations using a technique referred to as "reading the beach". Becoming a skilled "beach reader" can take years, however you may find learning this technique a little easier during certain conditions.

To many beach visitors, low tide just means more sand. However, to the angler who is trying to find that unique stretch of beach that has the potential to hold fish, low tide is the optimal time to search.

As the tide recedes, more compact sand becomes exposed and what is normally hidden under several feet of water becomes visible.

You may discover a sandy slope that drops into deep water only feet beyond the shore break. Then again, you may realize you had fished throughout the entire high tide, casting out as far as you could only to have your bait sitting in two feet of water. As you can imagine, this kind of knowledge can be extremely helpful.

One way to read the beach is to find a "cut in the bar". When ocean swells make their way inshore they are often forced over narrow areas of shallow water called sandbars. When this occurs, a wave forms and abruptly rises up to a peak then quickly crashes down into turbulent, white water. As you scan the outer sets of breaking waves, you may find a narrow area of water where the waves do not crest. Watch that section for a few minutes and you will usually see a set of waves begin breaking. However, if after 7 to 10 sets of waves pass over without breaking, you have found a "cut in the bar" and a good form of underwater structure.

After moving above the sandbar, the wave may stay crested with white water until it reaches the shore and that would be a good indication the bottom is relatively level. If the white water dies down and the wave flattens out, it has moved back into deeper water called the "trough".

The trough is a channel of deeper water that runs horizontally along the beach in between the sandbar and the shore. A cut in the sandbar allows larger fish to bypass the shallow area and find their way into the trough. Then they are able to swim along the shoreline through deeper, inshore water looking for unsuspecting prey.

If you are unable to scan the beach during low tide or if the wind is not cooperating, it can be difficult to read the beach. When all else fails, look for something "different". For example, If you find an area in the surf that is calm and the surrounding water is choppy,

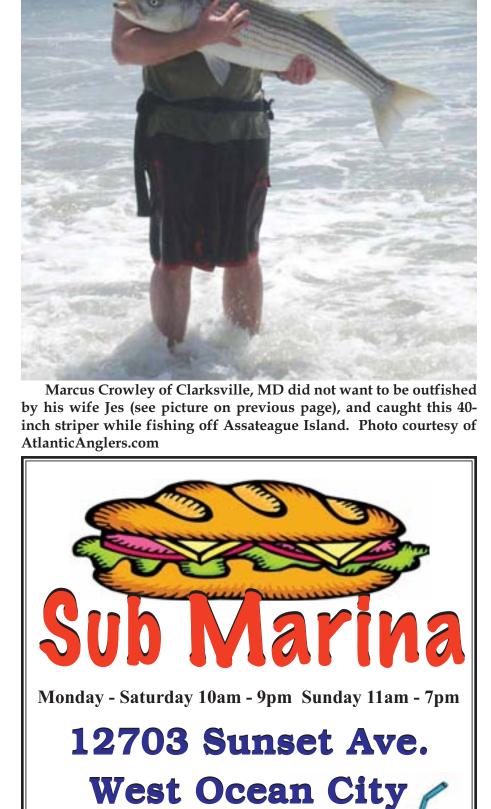
that may be a great place to fish

Remember to scan the horizon for diving birds. You will see the "splash" and watching several birds diving into the water is always a great sign of baitfish activity. If those birds are diving relatively close to shore, I would certainly try fishing there for a while.

On days when the water is clear, you can actually see bait in the water. When wading into the shallow water to cast I have often noticed hundreds of small fish all around me. Other times, I see larger bait, such as bunker, jumping completely out of the water in an attempt to avoid becoming a meal. If you ever see distant areas of water with a dark tint, they may be large schools of baitfish.

Understanding how the waves react when moving over the ocean floor can take time, patience and practice. Once you begin to distinguish the differences and notice the structure without actually seeing it, you will have gained a valuable ability that will help you catch more fish. Before long, you may look over to see someone walking down the beach prepared to congratulate you and maybe sneak in a question or two about your bait

Sam Kilgore is an avid surf fisherman and administers AtlanticAnglers.com, a free, family friendly website devoted to helping anglers learn all aspects of fishing.



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TAUTOG
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Kenny Reid of Newark, DE took advantage of a good, recent mako shark bite outside the Jackspot and landed this 106 pounder

while fishing on the "Summer Mist" with Todd Breisch of New

Castle, DE, Kyle Miller of Bowers Beach, DE and Capt. Ed Cook. The make ate a bluefish fillet in 62-degree water. The anglers

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Name:
Phone Number:
Date Fished:
Location Code (circle one): Atlantic Ocean 012 Assawoman Bay 001 Isle of Wight Bay 049 Sinepuxent Bay 084 Chincoteague Bay 033
Time Started: am/pm Hours Fished:
Number of Anglers:
Fished from (circle one): Shore Boat Pier Surf Charter
Fishing Method (circle one): Bottom Fishing Drifting Trolling Casting Fly
Please tell us how you submit fish lengths to our survey

(circle one):1) Record fish lengths on paper during my fishing trip

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- 2) Submit information from memory within 48 hours of my fishing trip
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CATCH INFORMATION

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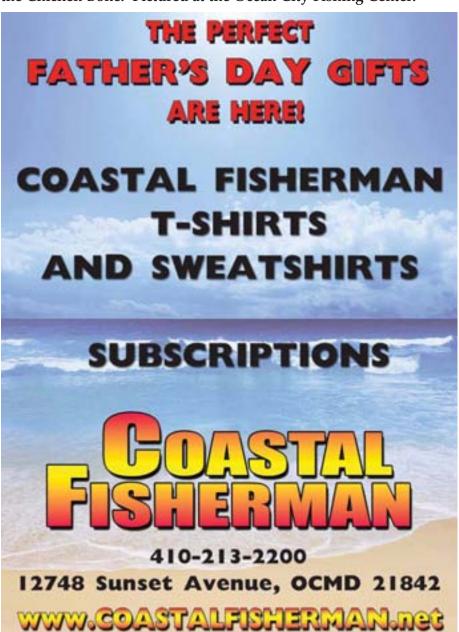
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For each trip, measure each summer flounder caught, kept or released, up to a maximum of 20. Place an "X" in the appropriate kept or released box for each summer flounder caught. If you don't catch any flounder during your trip, still complete the survey and mail to the Maryland DNR.

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Karen and David Vogt of Waterford, PA along with Bob and Sally Rizzo of Erie, PA teamed up to capture this blue shark and 30 bluefish while fishing on the "Ursula Priscilla" with Capt. George Merrick and Mate John Griffith. The shark was caught on a bluefish fillet while the bluefish were caught while trolling hoochies, all at the Chicken Bone. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.





Tommy Hinkle landed this 39.5 lb. bluefin tuna while fishing on the "Fish Whistle" with Walt Schrade, Billy Gebhart, Kevin Demetio and Capt. Charlie Horning. The bluefin was caught in 100 fathoms inside the Baltimore Canyon.



Michelle **Swords** Chester Springs, PA had Lady Luck on her side when she caught this 73.7 lb. black drum. Michelle was fishing on the "Reel Passion" in the Broadkill Slough, using clams for bait. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.

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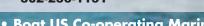
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Delaware Fishing Report

by Rick Willman



Hi Folks. Fishing remains pretty much the same. Flounder fishing continues to be better in the back bays rather than in the ocean. Anglers tell us that they are catching plenty of fish but the keepers are tougher to come by. Squid, minnows, frozen shiners, and GULP! artificial baits all continue to produce fish.

Striper action in the Indian River Inlet seems to be best for those fishing the nighttime hours. Live eels, bucktails tipped with a white curtail worm, live spot, and Storm or Tsunami shads will do the trick. Shad are appearing in large numbers along with some big schools of bluefish on the incoming tide. Small bluefish can also be found scattered around the back bays. If you are fishing in the bay, the outgoing tide seems to be the most productive due to warmer water temperatures. Steven Goff of Delmar, DE fished in the





As of press time, Randy Jensen was leading the Bill's Sport Shop Flounder Tournament with this 7 lb. 14 oz., 26.75-inch flattie. The tournament runs until June 12th with registration closed on June 5th. If the flounder holds onto 1st place, it would mean that Randy goes home \$1,000 richer. Photo courtesy of Bill's Sport Shop.

Rehoboth Bay and caught a 7 lb. 7 oz. flattie while fishing with Bruce Lynch.

This our annual year, Flounder Tournament will be held the weekend of June 27th and 28th. You must sign up in person by 8 am on June 27th. We will begin taking registrations on Saturday, June 20th.

Sea bass are being taken on the reefsites and along the open bottom. Reefsite #11 is producing large numbers of fish, but few keepers. The area near "DA" Buoy seems to be giving up some larger sea bass. A few flounder are also being landed along the Shipping Channel.

Thresher sharks have been a hot target lately, but I have not had reports of any big catches. Thresher sharks are interesting fish. Remember to be safe when fishing for these creatures, as their tail can be as dangerous as any other part of them. The thresher shark is characterized by its large upper caudal fin. This tail fin may often be 50 percent of the total length of the shark. It has a short snout and large eyes placed forward on the head. The second dorsal fin is much smaller than the first. The thresher is a strong swimmer and can leap clear out of the water. The jaws are small with tiny, curved, sharp teeth without basal cusps or serrations. Color varies from brown to black with metallic hues from above and irregular white markings on the underside.

The thresher shark eats schooling fish, such as herring and mackerel and cephalopods such as squid. The large caudal fin is used to slap the surface of the water forcing fish to form tighter schools. The tail can then be used as a whip to stun or kill prey. This shark is ovoviviparous, with the eggs being hatched inside the female, and 2 to 6 live pups being delivered at a size of 5 feet long. During development the young may cannibalize their siblings within the uterine chamber. The thresher ranges through all warm and temperate areas of the worlds oceans. Its northernmost range in the western Atlantic is

eastern Newfoundland and it ranges all the way down the Atlantic to the West Indies and northern South America.

Bill's Sport Shop Flounder Tournament is winding down and ends on June 12th. The standings thus far are as follows;

1st Place - Randy Jensen 7.87 lbs., 26.75 inches

2nd Place - Tom Bailor 7.35 lbs., 28 inches.

3rd Place - Dillon Mitchell 6.1 lbs., 25.25 inches.

Bill also reports that Louie Sartori caught a 168 lb. thresher while trolling a Stretch 30 east of the Lightship. Chad Tingle brought in two rockfish from the Indian River Inlet, weighing 21.30 lbs. and a 19.35 lbs., caught on a Bomber while fishing at night. Anglers on the "Just Right IV" landed 11 bluefish between 10 and 12 lbs. just outside the 19 Fathom Lump. Dennis Chidester, from Newark, DE fished the rocks at the Indian River Inlet with a rigged eel and nailed a 28.75 lb. striper.

Makos and blue sharks are being taken from the 20 fathom line out past the 100. Trey Parker and Kevin Taylor on the "Playn' Hooke" weighed in the first mako of the season at the Indian River Marina. The shark was hooked by Jim Larson at the 500 line in the Baltimore Canyon and weighed in at 98 lbs.

At Hook'em & Cook'em Bait & Tackle at the Indian River Marina we received reports of fantastic striper action in the Indian River Inlet. Blues are plentiful during the incoming tide. Flounder activity has been good in the inlet and in the back bays. Ocean fishing has been producing lots of sea bass but many are too small to keep. Thresher fishing has been pretty good between "DA" Buoy and DB" Buoy.

Dan at Henlopen Bait & Tackle tells us the word is flounder, flounder, flounder! All the usual spots are producing with the Anchorage in the Delaware Bay giving up some nice fish. Blues have been coming from the beaches at Cape Henlopen State Park and stripers from the beach at Gordon's Pond.

Ron at Rattle & Reel Sporting Center on Long Neck Road reports lots of bluefish in the Indian River Inlet. Plenty of flounder in the back bays are being caught using minnows or spec rigs tipped with GULP!

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artificial baits. Live spot have been the ticket for stripers in the Indian River Inlet.

Joe Morris at Lewes Harbour Marina said Delaware Bay flounder action has been good. Flatfish made a strong showing in the Anchorage, on mussel bottom in 60 to 70 foot depths near "G" Buoy being the popular spot. Captain Ted's group on the "Indian" returned with 10 plump keepers from their Saturday trip. Other productive areas included bottom changes at "A" and "D" Buoys. Fluke also came from the reef sites in the bay. Captain Pete Haines, Mike Junck, Bob Witte and Allen Quillen scored a limit of 16 fluke, weighing up to 4.9 pounds while drifting the Brown Shoal reefs aboard "Top Fin". Evan Falgowski weighed in a 5.41 pounder he pulled from Reef #6. Bait choices among Bay fishermen included squid, minnows, shiners, smelt, strips of mackerel, shark and bluefish, and Berkley Gulp!.

Flounder also continued to come from the Lewes Canal, Broadkill River and Roosevelt Inlet. Butch Emmert nailed a 6.52 lb. doormat using a Gulp! Swimming Mullet in the Canal.

Jeff Purdy got one 5.17 lbs. while drifting minnows and shiners.

Flatties also remained active in shallow water along Broadkill and Lewes Beaches, and around the Cape Shores, Port Lewes and Cape Henlopen Piers. Shad darts, speck rigs, 2 and 3 inch Storm Shads and Gulp! baits worked well in the shallows.

The black drum bite slowed after several weeks of good catches. Some nice fish were taken early in the week like Charlie Goodermuth's pounder, but the numbers of drum dwindled as days went by. The June full moon usually marks the end of the run.

Striped bass have taken up residence along the Outer Breakwater off Lewes. Boaters drifting the rocks at night caught nice bass while casting Bomber Plugs, bucktails and Storm Shads. Striper slayers, the Falgowski brothers, have been putting a hurtin' on rockfish lately. Evan checked in a 21.7 pounder, Cory caught a 22.8 pounder and Ryan landed a 31.3 lb. lunker. Captain Alan Steele bucktailed at the Wall on Sunday morning and came back

with a 42-inch, 24.5 lb. striper. Rockfish were also beached from the surf at Herring Point by casters using clams and bunker.

Shark fishermen reported sighting threshers between "DB" and "DA" Buoys, with some big long tails taken in the Fingers. Large numbers of blue sharks have been hanging out on twenty-fathom structure this

According to Captain Jeff Stewart, bluefish were plentiful on the northeast corner of the Hambone, and he had good catches of slammers trolling Hoochies and Pony Tails there during the week.

Bottom bouncers encountered lots of sea bass at Reef Site #11, but only a small percentage met the 12-1/2 inch minimum. The Old Grounds gave up some sea bass too. The "Skipjack" had 25 keepers Saturday.

'Til next week, have fun and

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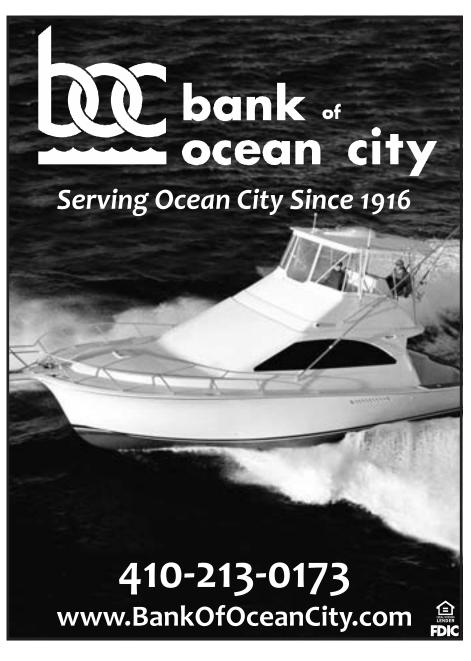
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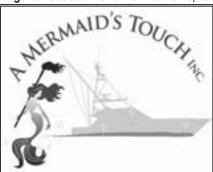












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Sea Bass	January 26, 2009 Dean Lo "Arno" Wilmington Canyon	March 27, 2008 Susan Samsock "Morning Star" Artificial Reef	Mako Shark	May 22, 2009 Jim Hughes "Nontypical" Baltimore Canyon	April 26, 2008 Thomas Dame "Free Spool" Elephant's Trunk
Tautog	January 4, 2009 Billy Collins "Ocean Princess" Offshore Wreck	February 4, 2008 Joe Restuccia "Karen Sue" Wreck	White Marlin	None Reported	June 9, 2008 Jim Miner "Judge" Norfolk Canyon
Striped Bass	January 3, 2009 Baron Daiker "Baron Sea" Little Gull	January 1, 2008 RJ Roppelt "Reel Persuasion" Little Gull	Blue Marlin	None Reported	June 9, 2008 Jason Hinton "No Limits" Middle Sausage
Weakfish	May 13, 2009 Rich Bell Sinepuxent Bay	May 16, 2008 Nick Sharp Roosevelt Inlet	Bluefin Tuna	May 23, 2009 Butch Bradshaw "DILLIGAF" Baltimore Canyon	April 11, 2008 Greg Hook "Stress Reel-ief" Wilmington Canyon
Flounder	April 18, 2009 Bo Smeltzer "Gotta Jones" Verrazano Bridge	March 23, 2008 Preston Walls Rt. 90 Bridge	Yellowfin Tuna	None Reported	May 25, 2008 Kevin King "Marli" Norfolk Canyon
Bluefish	May 13, 2009 Henry Busby Bethany Surf	April 24, 2008 John Foreman Assateague Surf	Longfin Tuna	None Reported	June 20, 2008 Jim Short "Not Right" Baltimore Canyon
Black Drum	April 25, 2009 Chris Tenbusch Assateague Surf	April 24, 2008 Capt. Mac Simpson Assateague Surf	Bigeye Tuna	None Reported	August 25, 2008 Bert Long "Lewestown Lady" Wilmington Canyon
Sheepshead	May 23, 2009 Tassos Argyros Ocean Wreck	June 5, 2008 Joe Shaffer North Jetty	Dolphin	May 21, 2009 Chuck Dammann "Restless Lady" Poorman's Canyon	May 25, 2008 Janan Mohamed "Marli" Norfolk Canyon
Thresher Shark	May 25, 2009 Ron Sckenk "On Delivery" Lightship	May 24, 2008 Justin Michalski "Uptite" S.E. of Jackspot	Wahoo	None Reported	July 1, 2008 Matt Migliore "Marli" Lumpy Bottom

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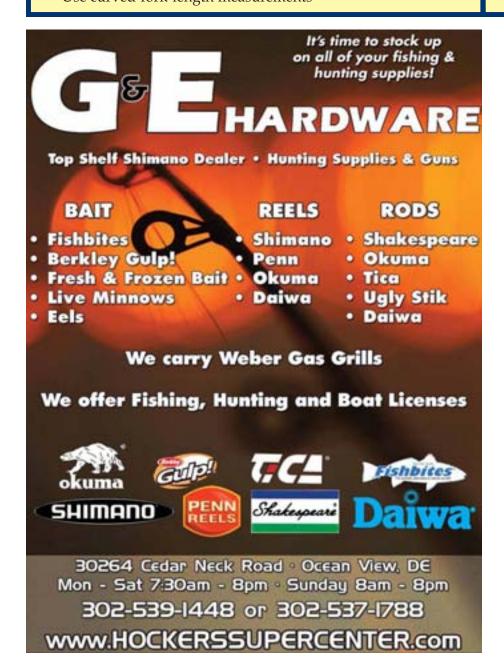
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Yellowfin ***	50"	75 lbs.
Atlantic Spadefish	24"	-
Bluefish	34"	14 lbs.
Cobia	44"	-
Croaker	18"	3 lbs.
Dolphin	45"	15 lbs.
Black Drum	48"	50 lbs.
Red Drum *	any size	-
Flounder	24"	7 lbs.
King Mackerel	40"	10 lbs.
Blue Marlin **	any size	any size
White Marlin **	any size	any size

^{*} Only released fish are eligible in Maryland program *** Use curved-fork-length measurements

	MD	<u>DE</u>
Kingfish (Northern Whiting)	14"	1 lb.
Striped Bass	40"	20 lbs.
Sailfish *	any size	-
Seabass	20"	3 lbs.
Shark:		
Blue Shark *	any size	100 lbs.
Hammerhead *	any size	100 lbs.
Mako *	any size	100 lbs.
Thresher *	any size	100 lbs.
Tiger *	any size	100 lbs.
Sheepshead	20"	8 lbs.
Spanish Mackerel	22"	5 lbs.
Spot	12"	-
Speckled Trout	24"	-
Swordfish *	any size	any size
Tautog	24"	7 lbs.
Wahoo	60"	20 lbs.
Weakfish	24"	9 lbs.

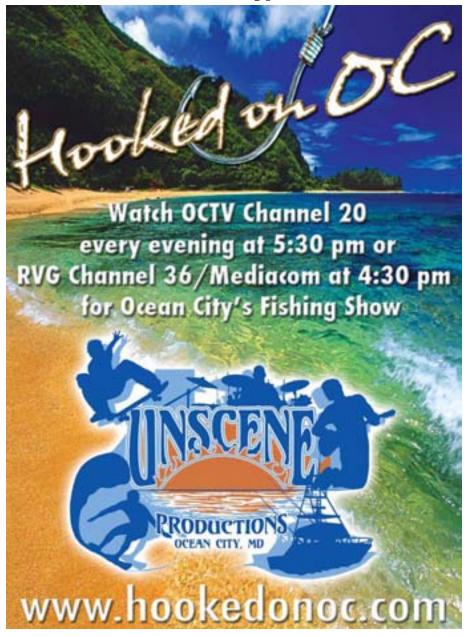
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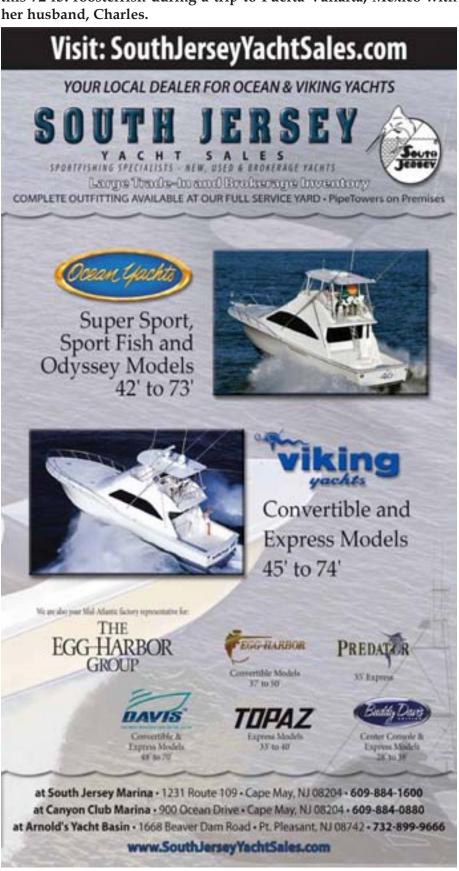


Last Saturday, Hailee, Glen and Hunter Phillips from West Ocean City were fishing in the bay behind Snug Harbor when Hailee caught a black drum, Glen landed a flounder and Hunter muscled in a bluefish, all while using peeler crab for bait.





Back in January, June Winchester of Ocean Pines, MD caught this 72 lb. roosterfish during a trip to Puerta Vallarta, Mexico with her husband, Charles.



Ship To Shore

by Pat Schrawder



TIPS ON LEARNING **NEW EQUIPMENT**

It's early in the season and many of you are just putting your boat in the water for the first time or taking delivery of a new boat. You may have replaced some of your old equipment with new outfitted your new boat with the latest package available. Hopefully, you had some guidance in selecting the right equipment for your particular boating needs. Ultimately, you're going to have to learn how to use these new items.

If you have purchased your equipment from certified dealer, you need to set up some time with your dealer to have them go over the new equipment with you. They should be well versed in how to use the items and

should be willing to go over it with you.

If there is no one who can go over your equipment with you personally, there are some companies who specialize in instructional videos. Bennett Marine is one such company. You can check the Internet for more information or you can contact the manufacturer. Some of them produce their training videos. Personally, I am not too fond of these videos as they are often too detailed, giving you way more information than you need or generally want.

Then, of course, there is always the book. Just like the video, they are often overkill and somewhat boring, but they will give you all the necessary information if you are patient enough to look for

Some manufacturers provide instruction cards that are laminated and cover just the basic information. They are a good source to remind you how to do something.

Whichever of the above methods you use, there are some general tips that I recommend you follow. Too much information too soon is a mistake with any equipment. Today's equipment is loaded with features but trying to learn them all at once is usually a mistake. You'll end up getting confused.

The best way to approach learning new equipment is to take one item at a time. Start with the very basics. Learn how to turn them on and turn them off. Study the display and learn what all the information on the screen is telling you. Take the controls one at a time and experiment with them to see what they do. If you get "in a loop" and can't figure out what you've done, turn the equipment off and back on. That will usually reset the item to factory defaults. Don't be afraid to try something. Rarely can you "mess up" equipment from the control panel, but avoid doing a 'master reset".

Think about each item and exactly what you would like it to do, then ask or look up in the manual how to do that.



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If you have radar, by all means use it each day you go out in the beginning especially on sunny days. Take a look at the picture when you can see by eye what you can relate to on the display screen. This is especially important on your approach to your final homeport. Know what the inlet looks like, both by eye and on your radar screen as you come back in. Then the first time you have heavy fog or rain and you cannot see the inlet opening, you comfortably rely on your radar to "see" it for you and the radar picture will comfortably familiar.

When you are fishing and marks show up on your fish finder, take note of what kind of fish you caught by size and species as it related to the pattern you saw on your fish finder screen. You will soon get to know by the picture on your screen, what kind of fish are under your boat.

Learning new equipment can be frustrating but, if you will just take the time and take it slow, the rewards are worth the effort.

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Joyce Allbrook captured this 35-inch striper while fishing off the beach at Cape Henlopen State Park. The fish weighed 12 lbs. 10 oz. on the scale at Bill's Sport Shop.



Daniel McCoy from Nassau, DE was using clam for bait when he hooked into this 74.8 lb. black drum. Daniel was fishing in the Broadkill Slough aboard the "Pirate King" and weighed his catch at Lewes Harbour Marina in Lewes, DE.

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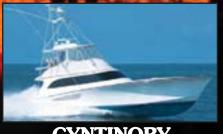


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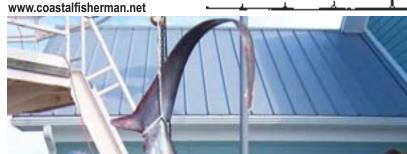
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Species	Ocean City	Delaware	Species	Ocean City	Delaware
Sea Bass	March 6, 2009 Noah Fowler Bow Mariner 7 lbs.	February 25, 2009 Paul Twilley Wilmington Canyon 7 lbs. 5 oz.	Mako Shark	June 7, 2009 Don Clawson "Nontypical" 224.4 lbs.	No Weights Reported
Tautog	March 15, 2009 Capt. Kane Bounds "Judith M" 19 lbs. 8 oz.	May 3, 2009 Bill Gable "#1 Hooker" 14 lbs. 10 oz.	Thresher Shark	June 7, 2009 Ethan Spencer "Wayne's World" 443.3 lbs.	May 31, 2009 Kevin Compton "MEGA-BITE" 232 lbs.
Striped Bass	May 17, 2009 Donald Hatfield Assateague Surf 45 lbs. 8 oz.	May 13, 2009 Derek Bair Indian River Inlet 35 lbs. 6 oz.	Cobia	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported
Weakfish	May 16, 2009 Chris Tilghman Rt. 90 Bridge 7 lbs. 8 oz.	May 24, 2009 Isaiah Ross Broadkill River 6 lbs. 8 oz.	Bluefin Tuna	June 4, 2009 J.R. Pequignot "Marli" 81 lbs.	May 31, 2009 Tommy Hinkle "Fish Whistle" 39.5 lbs.
Speckled Trout	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported	Yellowfin Tuna	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported
Flounder	May 14, 2009 Scott Peters Thorofare 7 lbs. 12 oz.	May 26, 2009 Joseph Parsons Indian River Inlet 9 lbs. 13 oz.	Longfin Tuna	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported
Bluefish	June 7, 2009 Roland Hubbard "Jezebel" 10.4 lbs.	May 24, 2009 Troy Schifflett 12 Fathom Lump 13 lbs. 13 oz.	Bigeye Tuna	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported
Sheepshead	May 23, 2009 Tassos Argyros Ocean Wreck 8 lbs. 8 oz.	No Weights Reported	Dolphin	May 21, 2009 Chuck Dammann "Restless Lady" 30 lbs.	May 24, 2009 Ron Frank "Da Chief" 19.6 lbs.
Black Drum	No Weights Reported	May 22, 2009 Anthony Lano Coral Beds 82.3 lbs.	Wahoo	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported

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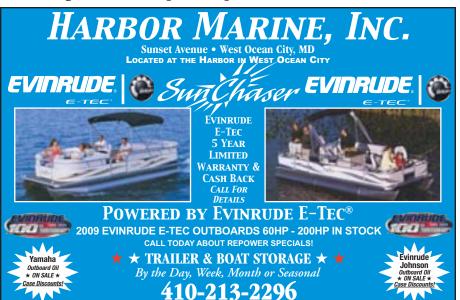




Ron Schenk of Ocean View, DE was bluefishing with light tackle when he hooked into this 158 lb. thresher shark. Ron was fishing on the "On Delivery" with Steve McGeehan, Chris Greigg, Josh Witmer and Capt. Mike Rivera when the thresher hit a Drone spoon at the East Lump. Pictured at the Indian River Marina.



Josh Rowley beached this 40-inch, 19 lb. 15 oz. striper while surfcasting off Cape Henlopen State Park using fresh bunker for bait. Weighed at Bill's Sport Shop.



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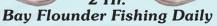


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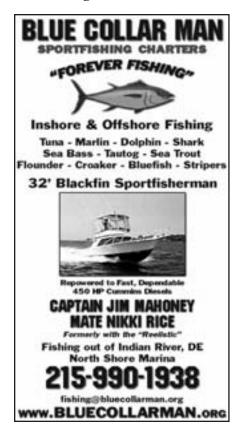
by Mark Sampson



With Delmarva's offshore shark season now in full swing you can bet that there's a lot of fishermen standing watch over chum lines these days. Although sharks are sometimes caught without the



use of chum, it's a rare occurrence that anyone would head out intending to hook one of the critters without the aid of something that will help produce a scent trail to attract the sharks. Chumming techniques might vary from port to port and from boat to boat, but they all have the same goal of bringing sharks in close to the boat, and as I emphasized in my book "Modern Sharking", when chumming for sharks the idea is to attract sharks to the baits, not to feed them before they get there. While I don't imagine too many anglers will argue with that statement, I find it interesting that most anglers still practice the "more better" approach chumming for sharks.



This really came to light the other day when I was reviewing a website for an annual shark tournament that's held in July a few states to the north. The tournament directors noted that the local tackle shop was taking advance orders for bait and chum. They went on to recommend how much bait and chum each team should expect to use during each of their fishing days. I was shocked to see that they recommended that anglers take four buckets of chum and two flats of mackerel for each day of fishing! Considering that the fishing conditions and species of sharks up there are not much different from what we have off Delmarva in June, I figure that's more than five times the amount of chum needed for a full day of sharking. As far as I'm concerned, using four buckets of chum in a day is not only a waste of money, it's also counter productive to the efforts of hooking a shark because more is not better when it comes to attracting sharks. Remember, the goal is to attract, not feed!

We all know that God gave sharks an incredible sense of smell; in fact, their olfactory system is so good that just a trickle of scent carried in the current will get their attention

and have them headed to the source. It's simply necessary to overdo it with a cloud of chum and fish chunks drifting from the boat. Don't get me wrong, I know that anglers who chum heavily still hook their share of sharks, but after years of experimenting with different chumming techniques I've concluded for a couple reasons that modest chumming is more effective than heavy chumming. For one thing, too much chum and chunks added to the water might actually feed the sharks and give them no reason to come in and take a hooked bait. Anglers shouldn't be duped into believing that sharks are "bottomless pits" that will continue to eat as long as there is food available. If a shark gets filled up on free baits that are being tossed overboard it can get finicky and not be inclined to touch a hooked bait.



Another problem with heavy chumming is that it will allow baitfish the opportunity to hold way back in the chum line and feed. While this might not seem important, if you imagine a shark wandering its way up a chum line only to encounter a feeding frenzy of baitfish 300 yards from the boat. I wonder if that shark would still be inclined to swim past the baitfish and on to the boat, or would it stop short and stay where all the activity is? Personally, I want all the

action as close to the boat as possible so I'll chum light and tease the baitfish and sharks with just enough scent and taste in the water to bring them in close. The only thing that should be in the water are hooked baits and a modest path of finely ground chum that teases the sharks with the promise of a meal at the end of the trail.

I know that most shark fishermen will think I'm full of "hot air" but after a lot of trial and error we've developed a chumming technique that allows us to lay out a chum line that successfully brings in sharks while using as little as three gallons of chum over a 7 to 8 hour period. Here's how it works: We start by freezing our chum in 1-gallon Zip-Lock bags. When preparing for a trip we bring out enough bags to get us through as many hours as we plan to fish, along with maybe one extra bag in case we stay longer than expected. These bags are kept in a cooler so they stay frozen until needed. A 5-gallon bucket with a quarter-size hole in the lid is all we use for a chum dispenser (forget the milk crate). Air trapped in the bottom of the bucket keeps it floating upside-down and the chum flowing properly. Chum sold in local tackle shops usually comes frozen in 4-5 gallon buckets. If purchased ahead of time, this chum can be thawed, scooped into onegallon bags, and then refrozen.

I know that this method of light chumming is a departure from what most anglers do when they're trying to catch sharks, but after years of experimenting with different chumming techniques I can say with great certainty that it's the best method to bring in sharks without feeding them along the way or wasting a lot of chum and money in the process.

Mark Sampson is author of "Modern Sharking" and Captain of the charter boat "Fish Finder", docked at the Ocean City Fishing Center.





On the final day of the Mako Mania Shark Tournament, Roland Hubbard of Pasadena, MD (far left) caught this 10.4 lb. bluefish to finish in 1st place in the Bluefish Division. Roland was fishing on the "Jezebel" with Frank Steuernagle, Jimmy Frye, Joe Maffei, Capt. Chester Sadowski and Mate Chester Sadowski, Jr. The winning bluefish was caught in 20 fathoms at the Fingers on a whole mackerel and was worth \$4,946 in award money. Joe Maffei also landed this 172.3 lb. mako during the trip. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



Ethan Spencer of Powellville, MD muscled in this 443.3 lb. thresher shark on the final day of the Mako Mania Shark Tournament and held on to win 1st place in the Thresher Division. Ethan was fishing on the "Wayne's World" with John Speake, Sheila Roe (not pictured), Dean Roe, II, Capt. Dean Roe and Mate Darin Roe. The thresher was caught in 62.5-degree water outside the Jackspot on a whole bluefish. For his 1st place finish, Ethan won \$4,290 in the "winner take all" category. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



RESULTS MAKO DIVISION 1ST PLACE

Angler: Don Clawson Boat: Nontypical Weight: 224.4 lbs. Winnings: \$37,085

2ND PLACE

Angler: Mike Miller Boat: Teaser Weight: 213 lbs. Winnings: \$11,451

THRESHER DIVISION

1ST PLACE

Angler: Ethan Spencer Boat: Wayne's World Weight: 443.3 lbs. Winnings: \$4.290

3RD PLACE

Angler: Jim Hughes Boat: Nontypical Weight: 199 lbs. Winnings: \$7,634

75 Makos caught
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3 Thresher Sharks caught
2 Dusky Sharks caught
1 Tiger Shark caught

28 Makos weighed in 3 Threshesr weighed in 9 Bluefishs weighed in

BLUEEFISH DIVISION

1ST PLACE

Angler: Roland Hubbard Boat: Jezebel Weight: 10.4 lbs. Winnings: \$4,946

2ND PLACE

Angler: Brian Kalvaitis Boat: Adventurous Weight: 10.1 lbs. Winnings: \$2,394

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Second place in the Bluefish Division of the Mako Mania Shark Tournament went to Brian Kalvaitis of Pasadena, MD for this 10.1 lb. chopper caught while fishing on the "Adventurous" with Rick Kramer of Severna Park, MD, Mark High of Pasadena, MD, Capt. Randy Swain and Mate Randy Swain, Jr. The bluefish ate a mackerel fillet in 20 fathoms inside Massey's Canyon and was worth \$2,394 in award money. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



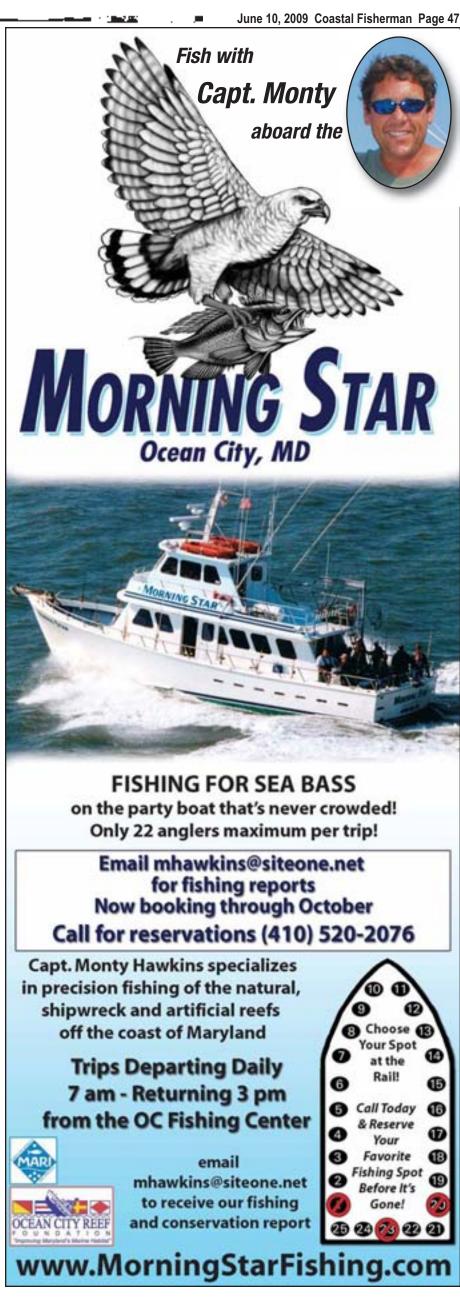
Known for their striper fishing prowess, the guys on the "Hard Times" showed they can also put a big shark in the boat. Capt. Benny Thumma of West Ocean City, MD reeled in the second heaviest thresher shark caught during the 13th Annual Mako Mania Shark Tournament with this 355 pounder. Benny was fishing with John Brittingham and Kevin Weber, both of Ocean City, MD and Steve Thumma of Ocean Pines, MD. The thresher ate a whole bluefish in 20 fathoms, southeast of the Fingers. The Thresher Division was a "Winner Take All" category, so no money was awarded for the catch. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



On the final day of the Mako Mania Shark Tournament, Mike Miller of Parkton, MD reeled in this 213 lb. make to win 2nd place in the Mako Division. Mike was fishing on the "Teaser" with Kent Reichert of Towson, MD, William Reichert of Waverly Woods, MD, Gene Mazzilli of Baltimore, MD and Capt. Rich Daiker. The mako ate a whole bluefish in 20 fathoms at the Fingers and was worth \$11,451 in award money. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



On the second day of the 13th Annual Mako Mania Shark Tournament, Jim Hughes of Ocean City, MD captured this 199 lb. mako shark and held on to finish 3rd in the Mako Division. Jim was fishing on the "Nontypical" with Don Clawson of Leesburg, VA, Rick Carney of Willards, MD, Jeff Greenwood of Ocean City, MD and Capt. Terry Layton. The make was caught on a bluefish fillet in 25 fathoms inside of the Washington Canyon and was worth \$7,634 in award money. Pictured at the scales at Bahia Marina.



Virginia Fishing Report

by Dr. Julie Ball



With the warmer weather setting in, many folks are hitting the water. Most attention is directed towards the newly arriving cobia. The



first boated fish were reported the week before last, with several more added to the list again last week. And it looks like things will only get better, as Carolina anglers are boasting astounding numbers of fish still heading this way. Most catches are coming from off the Buckroe area of Hampton, where some of the



Ronnie Hall from Portsmouth, VA used clam for bait to hook this 52-inch black drum while fishing in the Chesapeake Bay. The big boomer had a 41-inch girth. Photo courtesy of AtlanticAnglers.com.

biggest fish will fall to chummer's offerings. Several fish are also coming from top water efforts, where nice fish were hooked around the CBBT and cruising off the Virginia Beach oceanfront this week.

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Spadefish are next on the list. Spades began biting with some regularity this week at the Chesapeake Light Tower, the CBBT, and other inshore

and bay structures. Limits of fish ranging from 4 to 6 lbs. are the norm right now. Anglers are swarming to the popular haunts, such as the Chesapeake Light Tower and the CBBT to intercept these mighty fighters, resulting in large crowds.

Red drum are providing plenty of action right now. Boats are releasing dozens of bulls from the seaside of Fisherman's Island and the Nautilus Shoal areas. Peelers and blue crabs are working best. Rob Collins and David Cohen, both from Virginia Beach, released a pair of bulls measuring 46-inches long while fishing aboard the "Panacea" at Buoy 10 this week. Large schools of reds are also cruising the surface along the oceanfront. The Virginia Beach Fishing Center reported that one boat released several large drum from a school they encountered just outside of Rudee Inlet this week. Big black drum are also taking clam and crab offerings near Buoys 10, 13 and 16 off the Eastern Shore. These fish will begin moving to the islands of

www.coastalfisherman.net the CBBT soon.

Flounder pounders continue to sift through many shorts to get their bounties, but a few big fish are rounding out catches. Most flatfish are coming from drifting strip baits near the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel, Buoys 36A, 40, 42, and the Cell areas. Live baiters are also beginning to see some action. Stanley Barto of Suffolk enticed a nice 7 lb. 8 oz. doormat from the CBBT on a live spot this week.



A few keeper flounder and tailor blues are still available within the local inlets. Pier anglers along the oceanfront are picking through a few small flounder, small croaker, and bluefish. Reports of speckled trout and puppy drum are still coming from within Rudee Inlet, and specks are faring well from within Mobjack Bay. Croaker are an easy target as decent hauls come from all over the lower Bay, with squid and Fishbites working well.

Another summertime favorite, Spanish mackerel, made a debut this week along the shorelines off Virginia beach. These fish are easily enticed with a small Drone or Clark spoon trolled at a fast clip along rips and tide lines. Bluefish up to 5 lbs. are available in this same area, as well as throughout the lower Bay.

Striped bass are still available for anglers live-baiting over the tubes and near the rocks of the artificial islands of the CBBT, as well as at the curve approaching the 3rd Island. Sheepshead should make a better showing along the CBBT proper as the water continues to warm.

For those venturing a little further offshore, plenty of keeper-sized seabass are biting on many wrecks and structures. The Triangle Wreck



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area is a popular seabass destination this time of year. Even further out, deep dropping varieties are also still a good choice. For those fishing on the bottom near the Norfolk Canyon, plenty of blueline tilefish, with smattering of grouper, wreckfish, and black bellied rosefish are available. Mike Ney at Long Bay Pointe Bait and Tackle reported that one boat running out Lynnhaven scored with blueline tilefish ranging up to 19-pounds this week.

Offshore, good water is becoming more prevalent, where catches of nice gaffer dolphin are happening. Sean Doran of South Mills, NC scored with a 26 lb. gaffer on a recent offshore overnight trip aboard the "Red Knight".

Dr. Julie Ball is the I.G.F.A. Representative for Virginia Beach, VA. You can find Dr. Julie's reports at www.drjball.com.



Charlie Travers of West Ocean City, MD caught his first make shark while fishing on the "Fin-Ness" with India O'Boyle of West Ocean City, Capt. Joe O'Boyle and Mate Beau Bagley. The 101 pounder hit a mackerel fillet in 20 fathoms outside the Jackspot where the anglers also released 6 blue sharks in 68-degree water. Weighed at Sunset Marina.

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Todd Diener from Lincoln, DE was surprised when this 20 lb. 8 oz. striper grabbed a small piece of Fishbites in the surf at Herring Point. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.





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Jim Benke was drifting live minnows in the Thorofare when he hooked into these two nice size flounder. The largest flattic measured 21.75-inches and tipped the scales at 3 lbs. 2 oz. Weighed at Bahia Marina.

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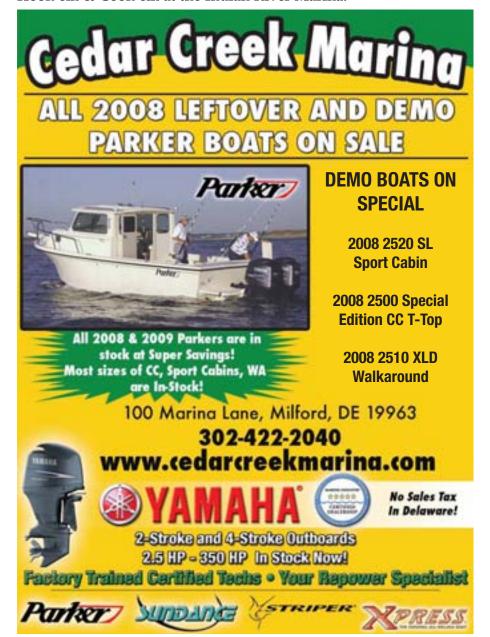
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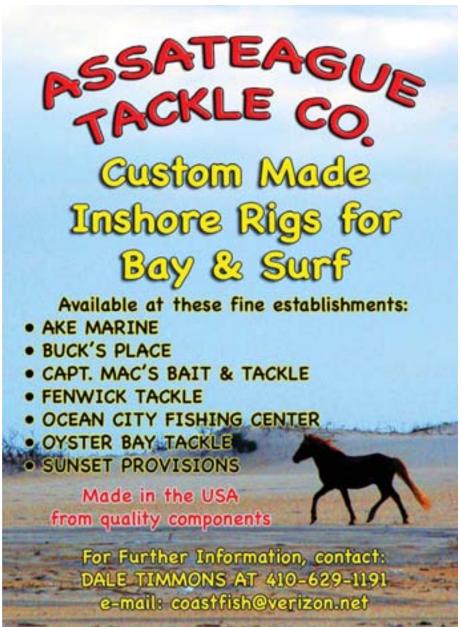


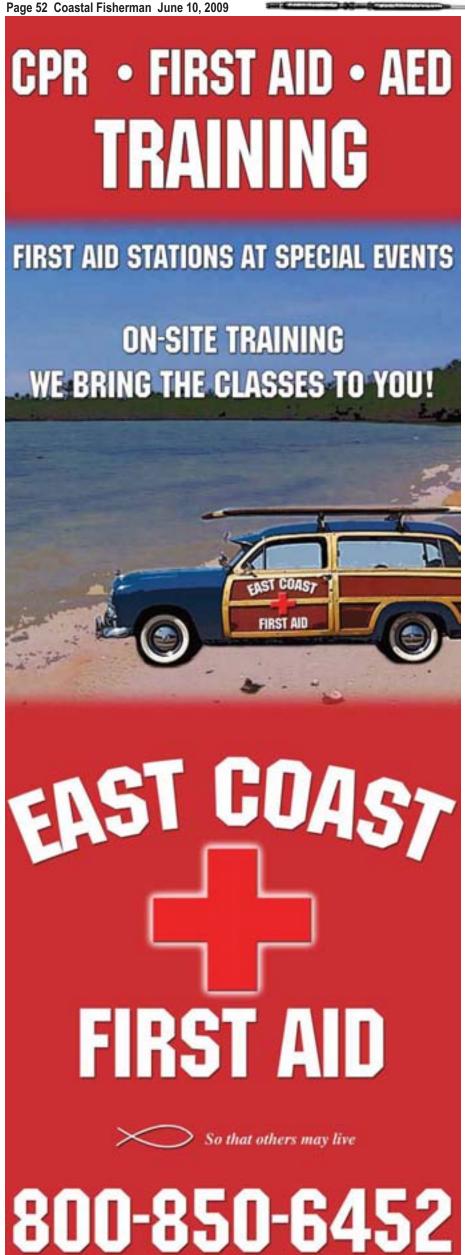
Kevin Compton, Bryon Sofinowski, Greg Loker, Brandan Sullivan and Tommy Altemus teamed up to land this 232 lb. thresher shark while fishing on the "MEGA-BITE" with Capt. Tom Murphy. The shark was caught in 20 fathoms at the Fingers where the anglers also released 12 bluefish and a small make shark. Weighed at Hook'em & Cook'em at the Indian River Marina.



Cheryl Frank traveled down from Coopersburg, PA to go fishing with her dad, Carl Frank, on the "Reel Good Catch". Cheryl caught two keeper flounder, measuring 19 and 22.5-inches in the bay behind the Ocean City Airport. The heaviest flattie weighed 3 lbs. 12 oz. and was caught on a live minnow.









Zachary Dale, Grace Gasior, Lindsey Hutchins and Tess Hutchins were awarded trophies for participating in the Ocean City Parks & Recreation Departments Youth Fishing Clinic taught by Capt. Franky Pettolina and Al "Hondo" Handy. The anglers learned to fish off the Oceanic Pier where they caught shad, bluefish, striped bass, skates and a puffer fish. Not pictured are Skylar Balascio, Eric Bontempo, Skylar Hudson, David Keys and Rachael Rodimak.



J.R. Pequignot from Dover, PA muscled in this 81 lb. bluefin tuna while fishing on the "Marli" with Andy Pequignot of East Berlin, PA, Jud Pequignot of Dover PA, Terry Perry of Essex, MD, Capt. Mark Hoos, Jr. and Mate Eric Strauss. The bluefin along with a 79 lb. mako and 6 bluefish were caught at the Parking Lot where the anglers also recorded 2 blue shark releases. The make hit a bluefish fillet while the bluefin tuna was hooked on a trolled green machine. Weighed at Sunset Marina.



Kevin Taylor of Georgetown, DE, Chess Hendrick of Milton, DE, John Parker of Georgetown, DE and Jim Larsen of Long Neck, DE teamed up to land 172 lbs. of bluefish at the Hot Dog. Their largest chopper weighed 9 lbs. 13 oz. on the scale at Hook'em & Cook'em.



Cory Bush and Garet Pisani, both from Ridgeway, PA captured these flounder during a trip aboard the "Tortuga" with Capt. Drew Zerbe and Mate Serge Garder. The 19 and 20-inch flatties were caught on squid and shiner combinations near Harbour Island. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



Frank and Sue Gaworski found some weakfish while casting Bass Assassin Sea Shads in shallow water along Broadkill Beach. The duo caught a total of 13 weakies, weighing up to 2 lbs. 8 oz. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina in Lewes, DE.





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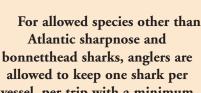
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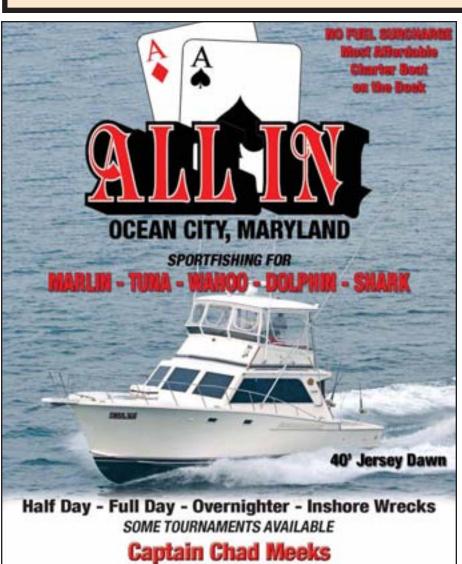


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Dylan Bossalina of West Ocean City, MD was fishing with his grandfather, Bernie Miller, when he hooked into this 19-inch flounder. Dylan and Bernie were fishing on the "Striper Sniper" in the Thorofare, using minnows and cut bluefish for bait.



David Smith of Felton, DE was fishing in the Indian River aboard the "Miss Carol" when he landed this 20 lb. 12 oz. striper. Weighed at Rick's Bait & Tackle in Long Neck, DE.





VIRGINIA REGULATIONS

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BLACK SEA BASS 12 1/2" minimum 25 per person/day



BLUEFISH No minimum size 10 per person



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SUMMER FLOUNDER 19" minimum 5 per person/day

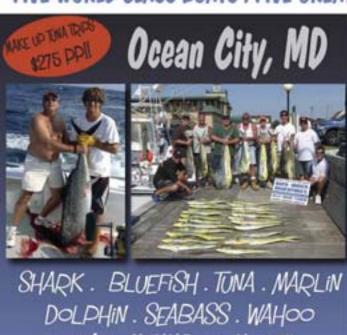


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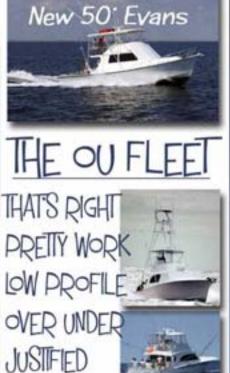


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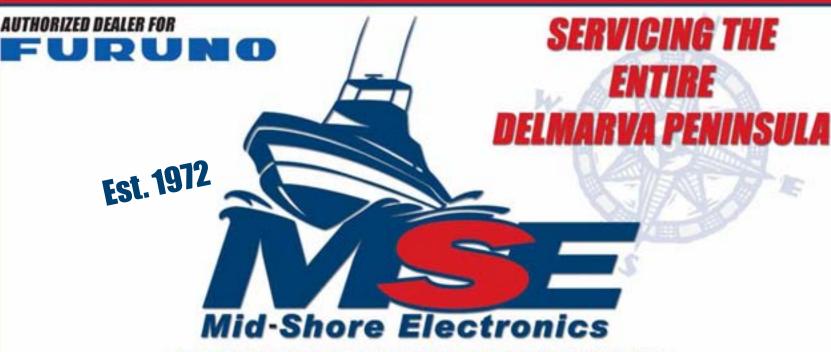
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Colby Hook, age 7, caught this 13 lb. 2 oz. dolphin while fishing on the "Stress Reel-ief" with Capt. Fred Winward. The mahi-mahi was caught south of Poorman's Canyon on the 800 Fathom Line. Weighed at Hook'em & Cook'em.



T.J. Gulyas of Berlin, MD caught his very first fish, a 20-inch flounder, while fishing north of the Rt. 90 Bridge. The flattie weighed 2 lbs. 13 oz. and was caught on a bull minnow.



Jagger Ruff, age 7, landed this 2 lb. 11 oz. flounder in the Lewes Canal. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.



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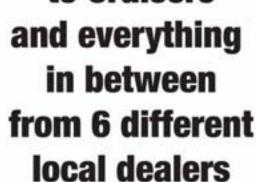


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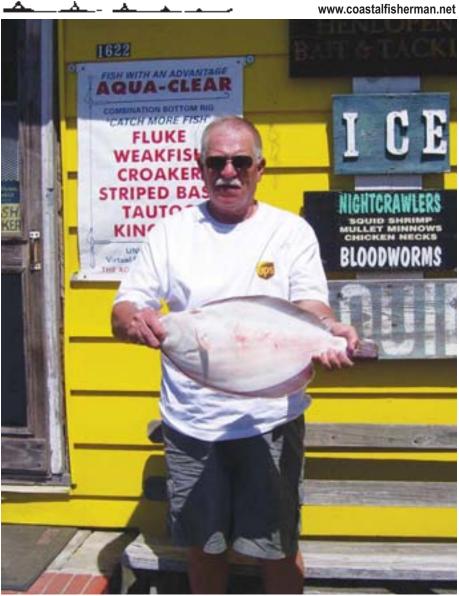








Julie Stevenson of Lewes, DE reeled in this 7 lb. 12 oz. flounder while fishing in the Indian River Bay. Weighed at Rick's Bait & Tackle.



Tony DiPetro of Slaughter Beach, DE was drifting live minnows in the Lewes Canal when he hooked into this 24 inch, 4 lb. 6 oz. flounder. Weighed at Henlopen Tackle in Lewes, DE.



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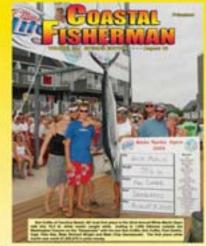
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Thurs. June 11	Low 04:57 am Low 04:45 pm	High 11:08 am High 11:31 pm			
Fri. June 12	Low 05:37 am Low 05:30 pm	High 11:51 am High			
Sat. June 13	Low 06:19 am Low 06:19 pm	High 12:11 am High 12:35 pm			
Sun. June 14	Low 07:01 am Low 07:11 pm	High 12:53 am High 01:22 pm			
Mon. June 15 Last Quarter	Low 07:44 am Low 08:06 pm	High 01:38 am High 02:13 pm			
Tues. June 16	Low 08:28 am Low 09:04 pm	High 02:28 am High 03:07 pm			
Wed. June 17	Low 09:16 am Low 10:03 pm	High 03:22 am High 04:03 pm			

These are Ocean City, MD tides at the Ocean City Inlet.
Add 1.5 hours for bay tides at the Rt. 50 Bridge.
Indian River Inlet - add 25 minutes to high tide
Wachapreague, VA - add 4 minutes for high tide,
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